



# Law Enforcement and Terrorism

United States Embassy in South Africa

## AMERICA INVESTS IN SOUTH AFRICA

*"Nations everywhere now recognize that we are all in this together; none of us can combat terrorism alone. This global threat demands a global response. Concerted action is essential, and together we are taking that concerted action."*

Secretary Of State  
Colin L. Powell  
April 30, 2003



### BACKGROUND

South Africa has well-developed banking, communications and transportation infrastructures that make it attractive to terrorists and other international organized criminals. Such terrorists and criminals dissuade foreign investment in South Africa, and affect U.S. citizens and interests by laundering money, smuggling drugs and weapons, falsifying travel and identification documents and promoting corruption. If unchecked, terrorist elements and international organized crime could destabilize the region.

Over the years, the U.S. has built a solid relationship with the law enforcement communities in South Africa and surrounding countries to foster better coordination and cooperation. Since September 11 that relationship has become closer and more productive. U.S. law enforcement agencies work hand in hand with South Africans to prevent potential terrorists from using South Africa to plan operations, train operatives, and transfer terrorist financing.



Community Policing forum at JHB PAS Office

### WHAT IS THE U.S. MISSION DOING?

- Providing U.S. specialists to train South African Police Service, elite Scorpions unit, Departments of Treasury, Home Affairs, South African Revenue Service and municipal police forces in anti-terrorism and other crime investigation, prosecution, and prevention techniques.
- Sharing information with the various South African entities responsible for combating terrorism.
- Arranging for on-site U.S. specialists to assist in prosecuting complex criminal cases, including money-laundering.
- Providing needed equipment to the South African Police Service and new metropolitan police forces, such as DNA forensics equipment, to strengthen performance.
- Offering technical assistance when requested in high profile investigations.

### ANTI-TERRORISM TRAINING SOUTH AFRICAN OFFICIALS HAVE RECEIVED

- Role of the Police in Managing a Crisis
- VIP Protection
- Canine Evaluation
- Hostage Negotiation
- Vital Installation Security
- Rural Border Patrol
- Officer Survival
- K9 Consultations
- Crisis Response
- Explosive Counter Measures
- Post Blast Investigations
- Explosives Detection
- Surveillance Detection
- Postal Chemical /Biological Incident Management Course
- Weapons of Mass Destruction Operational Course

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### WHAT HAS HAPPENED?

- Worked with the South African Government to freeze any terrorist financing that might be in South African financial institutions.
- Worked with the South African Treasury Department to establish South Africa's Financial Intelligence Center.
- Held bilateral consultations on immigration, airport security, control of ports and close cooperation on implementation of extradition issues.
- South African authorities surrendered Khalfan Khamis Mohammed, accused bomber of the U.S. Embassy in Tanzania, and James Kilgore, former member of the Symbionese Liberation Army, among many others to the U.S. for trial.
- Assisted South African Parliamentarians to learn about effective counter-terrorism legislation through two seminars on anti-terrorism legislation.
- Consulted with several South African Parliamentarians on the elements in their own terrorism bill.
- Assisted the Department of Home Affairs in their quest for more secure borders.
- Seized counterfeit U.S. dollars.



*USAID Director with Minister of Justice Penuell Maduna at a justice conference.*

### WHAT'S NEXT?

- Continued cooperation with South African Police Service (SAPS) and other entities on terrorism and law enforcement issues.
- Increased exchange of information between U.S. law enforcement agencies and the South African law enforcement on terrorist movements and actions and on tracking suspicious financial transactions.
- FBI training for police supervisors in counter-terrorism.
- Continued action on extraditions to the U.S.



*Secret Service counterfeiting training held in Cape Town*

### USEFUL WEBSITES

#### **Department of State, Diplomatic Security:**

[www.state.gov/m/ds](http://www.state.gov/m/ds)

#### **Federal Bureau of Investigation:**

[www.fbi.gov](http://www.fbi.gov)

#### **Department of Homeland Security:**

[www.dhs.gov](http://www.dhs.gov)

#### **Drug Enforcement Agency:**

[www.usdoj.gov/dea](http://www.usdoj.gov/dea)

#### **U.S. Agency for International Development:**

[www.usaid.gov](http://www.usaid.gov)

#### **US Justice Department:**

[www.usdoj.gov](http://www.usdoj.gov)

#### **US Treasury Department:**

[www.treas.gov](http://www.treas.gov)

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